

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

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| 1. DATE - TIME GROUP 9 Oct 66 10/0200Z | 2. LOCATION Altavista, Virginia |
| 3. SOURCE Civilian | 10. CONCLUSION (other) INSUFFICIENT DATA FOR EVALUATION |
| 4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 20 | |
| 5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 3 minutes | 11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS SEE CASE |
| 6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground Visual | |
| 7. COURSE Varied | |
| 8. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | |
| 9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | |

FORM

FTD SEP 63 0-329 (TDE) Previous editions of this form may be used.

9 Oct 66

FTD (TDETR) *ll*
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433
18 October 1966

Mrs. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Altavista, Virginia 24517

Dear Mrs. [REDACTED],

Reference your unidentified observation of 9 October 1966.
The information which we have received is not sufficient
for evaluation. Request you complete the attached FTD Form
164 and return it in the envelope provided.

We wish to thank you for reporting your observation to the
Air Force.

Sincerely,

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HECTOR QUINTANILLA, Jr, Major, USAF
Chief, Project Blue Book

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INVESTIGATORS REPORT

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On 10 Oct 1966, the Wing Command Post at Langley A.F. Base received a phone call from Mrs. [REDACTED] Phone [REDACTED] P.O.

[REDACTED], Virginia. "About 20 (twenty) sightings of U.F.O.'s in the last three weeks, all at night. Most recent at 2000 EDT 9 Oct 1966, next prior 8 Oct 1966. No outline or shape observed, just lights. Usually brilliant white sometimes trailing sparks. Sometime moving too slow for Jet aircraft, sometimes too fast for subsonic flight. Never any sound detected. Usually low altitude, three to four thousand feet. Reverses direction without maneuver required of airplane. Once, color of light was red. On several occasions lights were between ground observers and identifiable aircraft making nearby landings"

I called Mrs. [REDACTED] home on 11 Oct 1966. Mrs. [REDACTED] was not home but I talked to her daughter Mrs. [REDACTED] of the above address. Mrs. [REDACTED] also saw a U.F.O. on the 9th of October 1966. This is Mrs. [REDACTED] statement: "Mrs. [REDACTED] and her husband while driving on 7th street in Altavista observed between 2030 and 2100 an object described as the size of a basketball held at arms length flew in front of the car, at tree top level from east to west. No shape to the object and was described as a glowing white light. No sound was heard from the object. Object flew to the west, made 2 sharp turns, then "Evaporated" (her word) Object sighted for around three minutes total." Mrs. [REDACTED] also stated she had seen other U.F.O.s at other times.

I called Mrs. [REDACTED] again on 12 Oct 1966. I talked to her at length about her sightings. She is aged 49, runs a beauty shop and is a housewife. She seemed quite intelligent on the telephone and spoke at length in considerable detail. On the night in question, Mrs. [REDACTED] saw three U.F.O.s three in a row one after the other for approximately thirty seconds total. Three different paths, two fairly close to the same path, the third was very different. They were all as bright as the brightest star only bigger. She said they were too fast to be a jet aircraft. Her house is situated on a hill, under the landing pattern of the Lynchburg Virginia airport. She stated she can recognize various types of Aircraft on sight, and these were not aircraft. She also stated the people in Altavista have become accustomed to sightings of U.F.O.s, and she can give the names of other people in altavista who have seen U.F.O.s. On the night in question the weather was clear, no clouds and no wind. When I had finished talking to her we both hung up, and within minutes she had called me back to give me more info. she said that she would be watching her television set, when little horizontal streaks would appear. Usually within a few seconds of this occurring, a U.F.O. would be sighted by her. She said the Television provided the first clue to the presence of U.F.O.s in the area. She said the little streaks were the same kind that appeared during ~~lightning~~ cloud-to-cloud lightning, and were not the same as caused by faulty ignition on a car, or when an aircraft flew over.

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